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## Office Action Summary

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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 November 2004.  
2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.  
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.  
4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.  
5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.  
6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.  
7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.  
8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.  
10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 May 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  
a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:  
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.  
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
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4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)  
6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

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**DETAILED ACTION**

1. Claims 1-20 are pending.
2. The amendment filed on 11/30/2004 has been received and considered.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112***

3. The rejection made under 35 USC 112 has been withdrawn based on the amendment to claim 7.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 1, 3, 5, 10, 12-14, 16-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawan (U.S. 2002/0062284), further in view of McNair (U.S. 5,278,905) and further in view of Menezes et al (Handbook of Applied Cryptography).

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As per claim 1, Kawan discloses a display for displaying transaction options, an input for receiving a financial transaction (see paragraph 28), and means for encrypting the financial data with a key (see paragraph 31).

Kawan fails to disclose means for generating a new key for the financial transaction, wherein the key is generated using one or more variable properties of the portable terminal.

However McNair discloses means for generating a new key for the financial transaction, wherein the key is generated using one or more variable properties of the portable terminal (see column 4 lines 28-40).

At the time of the invention it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use McNair's method of key generation for the key used in Kawan's encrypting means.

Motivation to do so would have been to protect an attacker from recording an encrypted string and sending that for the attackers own service request (see column 4 lines 19-31).

The modified Kawan and McNair system fails to disclose the one or more variable properties include a history of usage of the portable terminal.

However, Menezes et al discloses such variable properties (see page 172).

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At the time of the invention it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use Menezes et al's history of usage properties as one or more of the variable properties of the modified Kawan and McNair system.

Motivation to do so would have been to create a random bit sequence (see Menezes et al page 172).

As per claim 3, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses the one or more variable properties of the portable terminal include date and time settings (see column 4 lines 28-40).

As per claim 5, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses a display for displaying financial transaction options, an input for receiving financial data for a financial transaction (see Kawan paragraph 28), means for generating a new key for the financial transaction, wherein the key is generated using one or more variable properties of the portable terminal (see McNair column 4 lines 28-40) and means for encrypting the financial data with a key (see Kawan paragraph 31).

As per claim 10, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses a self-service terminal a portable terminal to execute an encryption program (see Kawan paragraphs 29 and 31) which is operable to use one or more variable properties of

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the portable terminal for obtaining a sequence of values for generating a new key based on the sequence of values (see McNair column 4 lines 28-40), and the portable terminal encrypting information for a financial transaction with the new key, and the portable terminal wirelessly transmitting encrypted information to the self service terminal (see Kawan paragraphs 29 and 31).

As per claim 12, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses the one or more variable properties includes data stored in a dynamic heap of a memory (see Menezes et al page 172).

As per claim 13, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses a user interface having display for displaying financial transaction options, an input for receiving financial data for a financial transaction (see Kawan paragraph 28), memory for storing an encryption program, a controller for executing the encryption program (see Kawan paragraph 31) to generate a new key for the financial transaction, wherein the key is generated using one or more variable properties of the portable terminal (see McNair column 4 lines 28-40), the controller encrypting information for a financial transaction with the new key, and a communication port to wirelessly

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transmitting encrypted information to the self service terminal (see Kawan paragraphs 29 and 31).

As per claim 14, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses the portable terminal being a PDA and the encrypted information being transmitted to an ATM (see Kawan paragraph 29).

As per claim 16, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses the user interface is a keypad and the financial transaction data includes a personal identification number (see Kawan paragraph 31).

As per claim 17, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses the personal identification number being biometric based (see Kawan paragraph 31).

As per claim 18, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system discloses the one or more variable properties includes usage history stored in the memory (see Menezes page 172).

6. Claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Chaum (U.S. 4,539,870).

The modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system fails to disclose the key being generated when the transaction is executed.

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However, Chaum discloses generating a new key when the transaction is executed (see column 12 lines 3-7).

At the time of the invention it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to generate a key when the transaction is executed as described by Chaum in the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system.

Motivation to do so would have been to for temporary keys (see Chaum column 12 lines 3-7).

7. Claims 4, 6-9, 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system as applied to claims 1 and 5 above, and further in view of Menezes et al, Handbook of Applied Cryptography, CRC Press, 1997 (herein after Menezes).

As per claim 4, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system fails to disclose generating a unique challenge that can be issued for each transaction.

However, Menezes discloses the use of a unique challenge for each transaction (see 10.3, 10.3.1 and 10.9 on page 397).

At the time of the invention it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use the unique challenge of Menezes in the modified system of Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al.



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Motivation to do so would have been to prove the identity between entities (see Menezes 10.3 pg. 397).

As per claim 6, which adds the further limitation of the unique challenge being based on the sequence of values. Menezes discloses this in section 10.3 on page 397 where the entities prove the identity by the knowledge of a secret associated with each entity (the encryption key which is based on the sequence of values).

As per claim 7, which adds the further limitation of encrypting the new key and challenge using a public key (see Menezes section 10.3.3 pages 403-404).

As per claim 8, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes system discloses using one or more properties of the portable terminal to obtain a sequence of values, generating a new key based on the sequence of values (see McNair column 4 lines 28-40), generating a challenge value based on the sequence of values (see Menezes page 397 as applied in claim 6), encrypting the new key and challenge using a public key (see Menezes section 10.3.3 pages 403-404) and transmitting this encrypted message to the self-service terminal (see Kawan paragraphs 29 and 31).

As per claim 9, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes system discloses generating a new challenge value at the self-

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service terminal, encrypting the challenge using the new key, transmitting it to the portable terminal (see Menezes section 10.3.3 pages 403-404 being performed in the self-service terminal of Kawan), and awaiting the correct response to the transmitted challenge value being transmitted by the portable terminal before accepting any subsequent transaction at the self-service terminal (this is inherent from the idea of the challenge used to authenticate an entity before communicating with that entity as described in Menezes).

As per claim 11, the modified Kawan, McNair, and Menezes system discloses using one or more properties of the portable terminal to obtain a sequence of values, generating a new key based on the sequence of values (see McNair column 4 lines 28-40), generating a challenge value based on the sequence of values (see Menezes page 397 as applied in claim 6), encrypting the new key and challenge using a public key (see Menezes section 10.3.3 pages 403-404) and transmitting this encrypted message to the self-service terminal (see Kawan paragraphs 29 and 31) transmitting a response to the message to the portable terminal (see Menezes section 10.3.3 pages 403-404 being performed in the self-service terminal of Kawan), and halting any further transmission unless the decrypted response includes the correct reply to the challenge value (this is inherent from

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the idea of the challenge used to authenticate an entity before communicating with that entity as described in Menezes).

8. Claims 15 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system as applied to claim 5, 13 above, and further in view of Menezes.

As per claim 15, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al system fails to disclose the use of a symmetric key.

However, Menezes discloses the use of a symmetric key (see section 1.5).

At the time of the invention it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use a symmetric key from Menezes in the modified system of Kawan, McNair and Menezes et al.

Motivation to do so would have been the keys for symmetric keys are relatively short (see Menezes page 31).

As per claim 19, the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes system discloses using a public key issued by a host for encryption (see Menezes section 1.8).

9. Claim 20 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the modified Kawan, McNair and Menezes system as applied to claim 8 above, and further in view of Matyas et al (U.S. 4,941,176).

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The modified system of Kawan, McNair and Menezes fails to disclose splitting a hash value into halves and encrypting the second half with the first half to produce a key.

However Matyas et al discloses such a method (see column 113 lines 15-44).

At the time of the invention it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use Matyas et al's method for key generation in the modified system of Kawan, McNair and Menezes.

Motivation to do so would have been to protect against key half replicating attacks as described in column 113 lines 15-44 of Matyas et al.

### ***Response to Arguments***

10. Applicant's arguments filed 11/30/2004 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicant argues: Kawan in view of McNair fails to disclose the amended limitation of the one or more variable properties include a history of usage of the portable terminal; the claimed invention's history need not be transmitted as in McNair; it is unclear how to combine the key of McNair with the encryption of Kawan; Kawan in view of Kawan fail to disclose a means for generating a unique challenge in addition to the new key so that

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a unique challenge can be issued for each transaction as in claim 4; Menezes does not teach how to generate a random number in order to generate a key as presently claimed; and Kawan, McNair and Menezes in combination do not teach the one or more variable properties include a history of usage of the portable terminal.

Kawan in view of McNair fails to disclose the amended limitation as in claim 1, but the rejection of Kawan and McNair in view of Menezes teaches the amended limitation; where the usage history is the keystrokes, or mouse movements as in Menezes page 172.

As per the Applicant's argument regarding the claimed invention need not be transmitted as in McNair, it is true the claimed invention does not claim the history being transmitted, however it does not claim the usage data cannot be transmitted as it is in McNair.

Applicant's argument that it is unclear how to combine the key of McNair with the undisclosed encryption means of Kawan is not persuasive because encryption means must use an encryption method and there exists two encryption methods, symmetric-key and public-key and each use a key (see Menezes pages 15-16, 25-26 and 31-32). So it would be clear to use McNair's key for the encryption method of Kawan.

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As per Applicant's argument that Kawan in view of Kawan fail to disclose a means for generating a unique challenge in addition to the new key so that a unique challenge can be issued for each transaction as in claim 4, Examiner never claimed Kawan in view of McNair disclosed such a unique challenge and relied on Menezes as reiterated in the above rejection.

Applicant's argument that Menezes does not teach how to generate a random number in order to generate a key as presently claimed is not persuasive because it is well known in the art that random bits can be used to generate a random number. Examiner has included Menezes page 170 that affirms this fact.

Applicant's argument that Kawan, McNair and Menezes in combination do not teach the one or more variable properties include a history of usage of the portable terminal is overcome by Menezes page 172 as in the rejection of claim 1 above.

### **Conclusion**

1. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Pyzocha whose telephone number is (571) 272-3875. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00am - 4:30pm first Fridays of the bi-week off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Caldwell can be reached on (571) 272-3868. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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